

Activities Fill AMA Senior's Last Days



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Sid Taylor Wins Biology Contest

Augusta Cadets Make Good Showing at W-M

First

Second



Sid Taylor



Ben Angle

Augusta Military Academy recently received the report from the College of William and Mary that Cadet Sidney A. Taylor of Washington, D. C. placed first in the biology section of the annual science contest. Mr. Taylor was awarded a \$300 scholarship to the College of William and Mary. Cadet Ben Lewis Angle of Rocky Mount, placed second in the contest, but no award was made.

Representing Augusta in the chemistry section were Cadet Phil Pelland of Bethesda, Md., and Cadet Robert Broussard of New Iberia, La. Both of the cadets received commendation from the college for "outstanding achievement," with a provision that a scholarship could be awarded if applied for by the contestants.

Cadet Julius Willoughby of Greensboro, Ala., placed with outstanding achievement in the physics section of the science contest. In 1950 Mr. Willoughby's brother placed second in the state in the physics section and was awarded a \$200 scholarship.

The College of William and Mary complimented Augusta for the fact that this is the second consecutive year in which its biology contestants have placed first and second in the state contest. In 1950 Cadet Edwin Click, now attending William and Mary, placed first in the biology section, and Arthur Cohen of New Jersey placed second.

The annual trip to Williamsburg was made by the five contestants above and by Lt. C. E. Savedge of Richmond, instructor in biology and chemistry at Augusta, and by Lt. Col. J. C. McCue, Jr., instructor in physics.

"TWO FIRST PLACES"

It is with pride that the Bayonet announces that the school paper won first place honors again this year in contests conducted by S.I.P.A. at Washington and Lee University and the N.S.P.A. at the University of Minnesota.

—The Editors.

Princess



Miss Eve Hargrave

Final Ball Figures At AMA



Salute to U.S. Armed Forces Features Final Ball Figures

The climax to the 1950-51 Augusta Social season will take place in the Memorial Gymnasium on Tuesday evening, June 5th when the Final Ball sets the stage for the year's outstanding dance.

This will be the fifty-first Final Ball and, like all of its predecessors, it will strive to outdo all others in splendor and entertainment and pleasure for all.

As in the past the decorations give a key to secrets of each Final Ball. This year under the direction of Paul Long the blue and white theme—the school colors—will predominate. There will be a Navy blue ceiling with solid white walls with ocean blue columns.

On each of the columns there will be silver plaques or shields saluting each of the armed forces of our country. In the center of the ceiling a huge Crystal Ball will be suspended flashing light on the dancing couples.

Trellises adorned with live roses, Virginia Creeper, English

Ivy, will guard each entrance to the dancing court.

The orchestra will play under a canopy. The name of the orchestra will be kept a secret but it is known to be one of the best and has a nation-wide reputation.

The traditional figure—the nucleus of each Final Ball—is also a secret but it can be stated that it will be different from any one in the past but in keeping with the theme of this year's Finals.

Jewelry as favors will be used again after a lapse of several years. The design and arrangement is still another secret but when exhibited to one of the girls who attended the "Pin-Up Dance" she exclaimed: "Oh! Oh! May I have one NOW!"

In the figure the dates will be in white and carry red roses while the cadets will be in battle jackets and white trousers.

Pay up now and enjoy the fun and pleasure that goes only with the Final Ball.

Augusta Girl For 1951



Miss Betty Todd Eberhart

Drills, Movies, Sermon, Buffet Supper, Athletics, Will Keep Cadets, Dates, Parents Amused

The ninety-second commencement exercises here at Augusta begin on Sunday morning, June third, with the Baccalaureate Sermon in the Old Stone Church. This year's sermon will be given by Dr. Albert G. Edwards of Harrisonburg, Va. That afternoon there will be a Full Dress Parade, followed by the traditional Sacred Concert in the Triangle, which will be presented by a select group from the Cadet Band. This first full day will be brought to a close with the final meeting of the Y.M.C.A., at which the officers for the coming year are installed in office. The Y.M.C.A. meeting will start immediately after the annual Buffet Supper at White Hall, home of Col. and Mrs. Roller.

Monday morning will be presented a unique athletic exhibition. The Juniors will play their miniature game of lacrosse, in which they imitate the performances of their elders in the same sport to a high degree of perfection. The afternoon will feature the competitive drill for the much sought-after platoon cup, terminated by another parade. On this night the final meetings of the Junior and Senior Literary Societies are held. The declamations and debates presented here are the culmination of at least a month's work on the part of the cadets and coaches. Mrs. McKinney instructs the Juniors, and the Senior declaimers, while Capt. Hart advises the Senior debaters.

Sibley To Assume YMCA Presidency

Gatewood Sibley, Norfolk, Va., was named the president of the cadet YMCA at the final regular meeting of the religious organization.

President



Gatewood Sibley

A new method was used this year to select the leaders of the YMCA for the coming session 1951-52. Major Paul Hoover in collaboration with Mrs. Warren S. Robinson chose cadets to lead the "Y" for the new year. Character, leadership and interest in cadet welfare were the main qualifications in the selection.

Upon being notified of his election (Continued on page 3)

The Roller Rifles, crack drill platoon, will entertain visitors during Tuesday morning. There will be more drill in the afternoon, when each company drills for the company cup, followed by Individual Competitive drill. After this, the AMA Cadet Corps will present their final parade for the 1950-51 session.

The Final Ball, supreme social affair of the year, with its lavish and stupendous decorations and Hollywood glamour, will begin at 9:30 p.m. and last till an undetermined hour in the morning.

The closing exercises will be held in the Memorial Gym at 10:00 a.m. with General Richard J. Marshall, Supt. of Virginia Military Institute giving the address to the graduating class. The valedictory will be presented by Capt. C. Franklin Pilley, of Norfolk, Va. The Auld Lang Syne formation, last in which all cadets will be grouped together, will be at 12:15 in front of barracks. The moment long awaited but the most heart-touching in a cadet's entire life as every loyal son of Augusta has always declared.

Captains Select Frank Pilley As '51 Valedictorian

Franklin Pilley has been selected Valedictorian by the captains of the various line companies.

Valedictorian



Frank Pilley

Frank has been in Augusta for four years, and this year he held the office of cadet Adjutant. He is a member of the Roller Rifles, where he acted as one of the squad leaders of the crack team.

He is a member of Augusta's tennis team and is one of the reasons why the team has done so well for the past three years.

Frank is a very hard working boy and although his job takes most of his time he studies very hard and is engaged in many extra-curricular activities, among them, Chairman of the YMCA cabinet. He has led the Honor Roll twice this year and has been among the first three all the time.

Miss Betty Eberhart Reigns As Augusta Girl At Spring Formal

Memorial Gymnasium of the Augusta Military Academy was the scene of the annual Pin-Up Queen Dance, one of the festive points of the school year. Reigning as

Queen of the ball this year is Miss Betty Todd Eberhart of Staunton and Mary Baldwin College, who was escorted by Cadet Bill Parnell, of Florida. The two princesses for the Pin-Up Weekend were Miss Beth Poteet of Richmond, escorted by Cadet Buddy Harwood of Richmond, and Miss Eve Hargrave of Lexington, N. C., escorted by her brother, Cadet C. C. Hargrave.

The Pin-Up Queen Dance was opened by the royal procession with the Cotillion Club decorating committee forming a saber arch. Preceding the Queen and her escort was an honor guard of Junior School cadets, including Cadets Larry Long, Joe Suttle, Roy Kohlhausen, Ty Tomasek and Steve Tomasek. The Queen, Miss Eberhart, and the Princesses then marched to the stage which was decorated with a backdrop of royal gold, and a ceiling of royal purple, where Colonel Charles S. Roller, Jr., principal of the academy, made a presentation speech and

Princess



Miss Beth Poteet

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YOUR FINAL BALL

On June fifth, Augusta's greatest Final Ball in fifty-one years will be presented by the Final Ball Committee. The most lavish, spectacular decorations will adorn the gym that have ever been seen here. A splendid orchestra will play while the greatly impressive figure is going on. It will be a great occasion—or will it?

It will be great if you will support it. It's your Final Ball to support and enjoy. It's up to you to make it a success!

Remember that this is the biggest, most looked forward to occasion of the year to most cadets. You make it or you break it if you go or don't go respectively. So come on!—Support your president—Support your Ball—Support your corps! The Memorial Gymnasium awaits you.

COMING EXAMS

On June the first we will know whether our exams have proved fatal or whether they are successful. Right now is the time to study and not "cram" right before exam. While walking around the barracks during study hour, you will find cadets eating, sleeping, playing ball, or even reading comic books. By no means will this make their summer happy or their year successful. We have only two weeks till exams, and if we don't study now we will suffer in the end. Now and only now is the time to prepare yourself for the final test. There are many of us who have failed our past exams and all depends on what we do for the rest of the year. We are on the home stretch and there is one alternative and that is to get down to some real, honest, hard work. It's now or never!!!

THE MOST IMPORTANT CONTEST OF ALL

Time . . . late morning, June the sixth. Place . . . Memorial Gymnasium. A name called, a short walk to the stage, a warm handshake and a presentation of a piece of paper, then it's all over. No more work, you've graduated! But is it over, really over, that is? Are you through with work for good? No, my friends, you are far from it. In fact, the hard work is just about to begin and I don't mean the work you will do in College. It is the work that will tell whether you are to be a success in life or not. The graduation exercises are called commencement, and there may be good advice behind that for all of us. To commence means to start and that is exactly what you are about to do and don't let anyone be fool enough to tell you that it's all over. In the past relatively few years that you have attended school, all schooling, that is; you have been preparing for the things to come, not to pass those tests. You are about to enter life and in this life you must apply that knowledge that you are supposed to have secured. If, by any chance you have failed to do so, then, my friend, blame no one but yourself. The knowledge was there, all you had to do was take it, and if you have gotten it, don't waste it by slowing up. Use every single bit that has come your way to the best of your ability and success is all but yours. The game of life is just like an athletic contest when you come right down to it. For a long while you train and prepare yourself for the trial to come, then you are pitted against others in your class and the one that has trained the hardest and has taken advantage of every opportunity, emerges the victor. It is the same way in life only on a much bigger scale. Let's hope that you have trained yourself well. Now my friends . . . win the big contest.

YOUR BAYONET AND RECALL NEED SUPPORT

A critical period in the history of cadet publications here at Augusta has become a reality. The paper and the yearbook are fighting for their life. Lack of financial support of the Bayonet and the Recall has been apparent ever since work started last September. Subscriptions were slow in coming in and never reached any real peak of circulation.



Lack of finances was bad enough for any group of cadets to bear and try to make ends meet by ingenious methods of collections. The serious part of our problem is to train new material to take over the positions made vacant by graduation. The corps is not newspaper or yearbook conscious. They are content to sit along the sidelines and read what the selected few write for all.

There are no material or tangible gains of reward for work on the Bayonet or the Recall. The only measure of return is the self-satisfaction that comes from a job well done. Everyone reads the paper whether he buys it or not and about seventy per cent of the corps will own an annual.

The yearbook is as the word implies—a year's work begun in September and generally finished by the last day of school. It is not like a sport that runs for a short season and then replaced by another form of diversion. It takes time and patience plus and endurance to work on publications.

In short, we want all of you, whether you expect to return next fall or not, to apply for positions now. We wish to keep all of the present seniors aware of what is happening long after they have gone to college.

Why not give your name to the new staff? Now?



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Quadrangle Quips

- "Never A Dull Moment"—Capt. Baiz's class.
- "Edge Of Doom"—to those who are failing.
- "Watch The Birdie"—to the Recall photographer.
- "The Texas Ranger"—Steve Anderson.
- "Convicted"—to those who appear before the Honor Court.
- "Three Little Words"—"Son, son, son."
- "Between Midnight and Dawn"—the beer runners.
- "Born To Be Bad"—Ned Brown.
- "Branded"—Those on grounds.
- "The Breaking Point"—G.I.
- "Casino To Korea"—to must we say whom?
- "Dial 1119"—to those who are out of phone numbers.
- "Difficult Years"—to anyone finishing AMA.
- "Hamlet"—to the English class.
- "He's a Cockeyed Wonder"—Capt. Baiz.
- "Highway 301"—road home.
- "If This Be Sin"—to those who slip around.
- "Let's Dance"—The Cotillion Club (Ben).
- "The Men"—to the lacrosse team.
- "Operation Disaster"—M.M.I.
- "Our Very Own"—Col. Roller (B.B.)
- "Champion"—the Basketball team.
- "Mr. Music"—the Guard Detail.
- "A Life Of Her Own"—Mrs. Thompson.
- "Father Was A Fullback"—Bob Camel.
- "Young Man With A Horn"—Ed. Ambruster.
- "Fancy Pants"—Sam Quillen.
- "The Three Musketeers"—Wissler, Wheeler, Faircloth.
- "Tea For Two"—Capt. Oscar and Mrs. Oscar.
- "Sunday Afternoon"—Parade.
- "Paleface"—the Grey Ghost.
- "Sunset Boulevard"—the Bowl.
- "Take Me Out To The Ball Game"—everybody.
- "Lost Week-end"—every one spent at AMA.
- "I'd Climb The Highest Mountain"—to get away from this place.
- "Call Me Mister"—the New Cadets.
- "Destination Tokyo"—the Seniors.
- "Target Unknown"—the Future Life.
- "Halls of Montezuma"—another AMA.
- "Sound of Fury"—Col. Louisell.
- "Jackpot"—Poker Game.
- "Little Women"—what we long for.
- "Tell It To The Judge"—Col. Louisell.
- "Twelve O'Clock High"—Colonel's Visit.
- "The Good Humour Man"—Col. Dean.

Our Infirmary

When our reporter asked Mrs. Thompson about the infirmary this year, she replied: "We have had a very wonderful year at the infirmary. The boys have been very nice and helpful. We have not had more than 6 boys at the infirmary at any time this year due to our new medicines. For the boys who were trying to get in without being sick we had a wonderful medicine, CASTOR OIL!"

While a sick boy is at the infirmary, he is given good food plus a lot of special things cooked by Mrs. Thompson herself. He is given three glasses of juice a day.

This year Cadet Suter has been Medical Sergeant and has done a very efficient job.

The infirmary is inspected daily by Colonel Roller between 1 and 1:30 p.m., and he has only had words of praise for the wonderful job the infirmary has been doing this year for the cadets.

A Guide to Best in Movies—Books—Records
What To Read—See And Hear

With the school year just about over and our thoughts beginning to turn to vacation time, now is the time to pick out some good books to read during the months ahead when studies shall be out of our minds.

"A King's Story" by the Duke of Windsor would prove enjoyable entertainment for all of us. It is the story of the King who gave up his throne that he might marry the woman he loved. It gives us many personal insights on one who was brought up to rule the British Empire.

"We Always Lie to Strangers"—tales of the Ozarks—by Vance Randolph, gives us a collection of tall tales as yet unequalled in the annals of "hillbilly yarns". Only a liar would tell of weather so cold that icicles, forming from the eaves, lifted a house fifteen feet off the ground; of cold that was so cold that it turned the snow blue. This book is not only a priceless collection of tall tales but good sound American folklore.

If you are going to a summer camp where there's lots of fishing to be had, be sure to take along "Fisherman's Spring" by Roderick Haig-Brown. In it you will share with the author secrets of the art of catching fish where others cannot.

For love affairs, read "A Woman Called Fancy" by Frank Yerby. The story of a mountain girl from the Carolina hills whose father tried to sell her to a 76-year-old farmer for \$300; the woman was the most dangerous in Georgia. By the author of "The Foxes of Harrow."

For royal entertainment we suggest "We Barrymores" by Lionel Barrymore as told to Cameron Shipp. This is a rich and entertaining autobiography, a full and fascinating history of three generations of the American theatre.

Last on our list is "The Ragged Ones" by Burke Davis which combines the excitement and the fearlessness of a half-forgotten but very important Revolutionary campaign with the true and tender love story of John Blount and the girl he found one day in a much-too-large British uniform. It is historically true of the little known last-ditch stand at Cowpens and Guilford Court House which eventually led to our winning the strangest war of all time.

To truly understand the present

conflict in Korea, one must read David Dallin's "The New Soviet Empire" and Paul G. Hoffman's "Peace Can Be Won". The former uses unqualified sources to present his case which clarifies our outlook on the fight, while the latter suggests that we anticipate Russia's moves and thwart them, and, still better, to eradicate conditions which breed communism. In the latter respect the Marshall Plan has been and remains the proving ground for our foreign policy that is constructive and far-reaching.

S E E

Two of the musts in movies should include "The Great Caruso" with Mario Lanza. It has to do with the supposed life story of the greatest of all singers—Enrico Caruso—and what the picture lacks in story it makes up in full length renditions of great songs. There are twenty-seven numbers in all which are wholly or partly sung. Other fine artists are also in the picture, bringing a musical refreshment seldom seen on the screen.

Add to this the "Valentino Story" which is about the matinee idol of millions of the gay twenties.

Add to these two fine pictures a visit to New York to see in person some of the leading plays: "Kiss Me Kate", "South Pacific", "Gentlemen Prefer Blondes", "Call Me Madam". One of these at least should be on your must list.

HEAR

The older record companies have been investigating their files and find they have treasures that should appeal to the new generation of listeners and collectors. Columbia brought out the "Golden Era Series" devoted to the Louis Armstrong Story. Armstrong was once asked how many recordings he had made and he remarked: "Long cost long ago". It is estimated that the number is in the thousands. These are all on the LP.

Another company under the name of Eterna is marketing what it calls "immortal singers of the past". Other companies are taking up the same idea.

A treat to hear for the Spanish-loving fans is the lp of Victor which features Victoria de los Angeles in a group of Spanish Folk Songs with guitar accompaniment. See you next fall in the first Bayonet.

The Voice of R.O.T.C.
MILITARY MEANDERINGS

ON THE ROAD

Not wishing to confine the talents of this year's Roller Rifles to home grounds Sergeant Bratton arranged several outside appearances for our select drill team.

....On 11 May the Rifles presented their repertoire to an appreciative gathering of youngsters at the Virginia School for the Deaf and Blind. Next, the Rifles, accompanied by the band, strutted their stuff before thousands of spectators at the opening game of the Valley Baseball League. Under flood-lights the team presented their exhibition of marching manuals and drill formations, climaxing the show with a retreat ceremony. At Fairfax Hall the Roller Rifles were at their best, influenced, no doubt, by the all-girl audience who entertained the drill team with refreshments following the exhibition. Yet to come is the appearance of our drill team at Stuart Hall here in Staunton and as a marching unit in the local Armed Forces Day Parade.

In addition to these appearances the Roller Rifles have demonstrated in Winchester, Va.; before the army inspection team; and to the large crowds which gather each Sunday to observe our formal parades.

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RIBBON WINNERS

With only two more weekends

to go, Cadet Captain Long's "C" Company is at present the leading ribbon winner for Sunday Parades. Of the 22 formal Sunday Parades held this year "C" Company has 7 times earned the distinction of being the best company. For this achievement they are authorized to permanently wear a gold streamer on their company guidon. Hot on "C" Company's trail is Hq Company with 6 wins.

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ROTC INSPECTION

Although the results of the recent Annual ROTC Inspection will not be known until the inspectors report is reviewed by 2nd Army, all indications point to a job well done. For this, each and every cadet can feel pleased, for it is only through the combined efforts and cooperation of all concerned that our military department can hope to gain the rating "HONOR ROTC UNIT", which affords so many privileges to the cadets of the corps. The inspecting officers were particularly impressed by our Private Parade, a feature not attempted by any other military school.

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AIDES TO THE STAFF

Ten Junior Cadets have been selected for appointment to the office of AIDES TO THE STAFF, during its first year in existence. (Continued on page 3)

"George" and "Big Boy" Again at VMI



SECRETARY MARSHALL and other members of the VMI class of 1901 get together in Lexington over a photograph of their graduating class. Left to right they are: Rev. James V. Johnson, Colonel Charles S. Roller, Jr., Secretary of Defense George C. Marshall and Colonel Bowyer B. Brown.

ENGRAVING COURTESY RICHMOND TIMES-DISPATCH

Col. Roller Attends Gen. Marshall Day

Col. Charles S. Roller, Jr., principal of Augusta Military Academy, attended the 50th Anniversary Reunion of the class of 1901 at Virginia Military Institute in Lexington on Tuesday, May 15.

Colonel Roller was a prominent member of the class of 1901 in that he was captain of the football team, a cadet captain, the valedictorian of his class, and won the declaimer medal that year. A few years ago he was selected as the all-time all-VMI quarterback in a poll conducted by the Richmond Times-Dispatch.

After graduating, he taught and coached at VMI for two years, at Furman University for two years, and at Washington and Lee for one year before returning here to Augusta in 1907, where he has been ever since.

The Reunion was called George Marshall day at VMI, since the war-time Chief of Staff and present Defense Secretary was also a member of the class of 1901, and General Marshall is going to be honored by the school as one of its most distinguished graduates.

Even as a "rat" at VMI more than a half century ago, George C. Marshall displayed military interests and ability that were to make him America's top-ranking soldier.

"He was strictly military," said Col. Roller, a man who was a classmate of the general at Virginia Military Institute from 1897 to 1901.

Marshall and Col. Roller were close friends, the latter stated, and both played on the VMI football team. Marshall was a tackle ("or maybe it was a guard").

"An early indication of Marshall's superb military and leadership abilities is seen in the fact that he became 1st Captain of the Cadet Corps."

"However, as a boy the general was just a boy. There is a lot of difference between a cadet and a general."

Cadet Marshall was popular with his classmates, Col. Roller said, but he was "very military" in everything he did and duty was foremost.

Military Meanderings

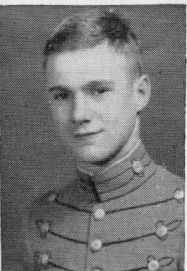
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ence. A final recount of those cadets who have earned this monthly honor through military and academic achievement is as follows: October—Cadets P. Schwartz and S. Tomasek. November—Cadets J. Suttle and K. Strassman. December—Cadets K. Strassman and R. Kohlhausen. January—Cadets S. Tomasek and T. Tomasek. February—Cadets S. Tomasek, J. Cockcroft and Joey Suttle. March—Cadets K. Herzhorn and L. Long. April—Cadets L. Long and Joey Suttle. May—Cadets L. Long and S. Tomasek. For Finals—Cadets L. Long and W. Bosley.

GI Cite AMA Korean Hero

Sgt. Sherwood (Buddy) Helmick, Jr., son of Mrs. H. E. Bucklen of 300 Main Dr., Charleston, has been cited by the Department of Army for meritorious service

Ribbon Winner



Helmick

during action with the U. S. Army in Korea. The soldier has been awarded a Commendation Ribbon with a metal pendant.

Sgt. Helmick, a member of the Military Police Corps of the U.S. Army

Seventh Military Police Co., displayed his courageous action on Feb. 11, 1951, at Chechon, Korea.

The citation read:

"Sgt. Helmick, at the time a corporal and a driver for the Provost Marshall, with complete disregard for his own safety, entered the immediate area of a burning and exploding ammunition train. In the face of severe sporadic explosion, he assisted in evacuating several wounded persons from the danger zone."

"The meritorious service displayed by Sgt. Helmick on this occasion contributed immeasurably to the saving of the lives of his wounded comrades and reflects great credit on himself and the military service."

Sgt. Helmick entered the armed services in April, 1948. He attended junior high school in Beckley and graduated from Augusta Military Academy in Virginia.

Gatewood Sibley Will Head New "Y" Cabinet

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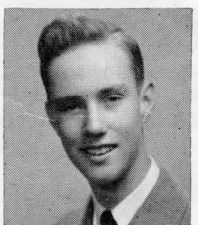
vation to the presidency, Sibley a new cadet, said: "This honor is about the greatest that has ever been given to me. I shall do all in my power to forward the good that the 'Y' does for the cadet corps."

Another new cadet, Tommy Allman, was chosen to be the vice-president. He, like Sibley, has two more years at Augusta.

This was another reason for their being named to the two high positions.

The YMCA Cabinet includes in addition to the above named officers the following: Eddie Deal who will act as secretary, Frank Tulloss as treasurer and Dick Chichester, Joe Suttle, Bob Lowenback, and Tommy Gamewell.

All the above officers will be installed in the traditional candlelight performed at the final meeting in the final Sunday of the school year.



Allman

Gardner, Sibley, Congdon To Head Bayonet, Recall Staffs In 1951-52

"Corky" Gardner was named to the editor-in-chief of the Bayonet Editor



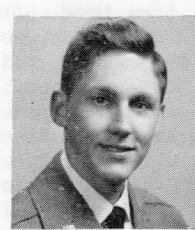
Corky Gardner

for the 1951-52 session by Major Paul Hoover, faculty adviser.

"Corky" is not new to this position for he helped guide the 1950-51 Bayonet to heights never before reached by any Augusta newspaper. This year the Bayonet won first place honors both in "S.I.P.A." and "N.S.P.A." contests.

To aid him as assistant editor, Gatewood Sibley takes second position of trust.

Assistant



Gatewood Sibley

His work this past session was also instrumental in raising the standards of the blue and white newspaper.

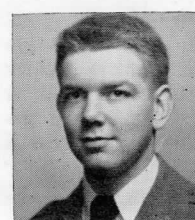
Frank Tulloss and Richard Chichester were named associate editors after having proved themselves capable in preliminary competitions.

Al Rhine will head the sports

staff and will name his own assistants when the new fall term opens. The sports column of this year's Bayonet was instrumental in winning first places in national contests.

Jack Congdon will be business manager and will also hold the same position on the Recall if time will permit him to hold down both jobs.

Associate



Dick Chichester

To complete the skeleton staff for the coming year, Tom Allman will be editorial editor. He will continue to improve the point of view of the cadet corps as expressed in the Bayonet's editorials which won strong comment both at Quill and Scroll, SIPA and NSPA.

The Royal Pin-Up Couple



Miss Betty Todd Eberhart With Her Escort, Cadet Bill Parnell of Florida

Miss Todd Reigns

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crowned the Queen. The two princesses sat on each side of Miss Eberhart; their chairs being covered with purple, and the queen's in gold. Miss Eberhart wore a full-length flowing white evening dress.

The Pin-Up Queen dance, under the supervision of Lt. C. E. Savage and sponsored by the Cotillion Club and the school newspaper, "The Bayonet" and Major Paul Hoover, was decorated in royal colors of purple and gold. The stage and serving tables were decorated with lilacs and iris. Insti-

Dr. Sprouse Addresses "Y"

Dr. W. W. Sprouse, Staunton, Va., was the principal speaker at the annual Mother's Day program presented by the Cadet YMCA.

In keeping with his custom begun four years ago, he took as his subject "Mother".

He brought out that: "All mothers are not ideal and that is most unfortunate". The mother described in Proverbs, Chapter 31, verses ten to the end is the ideal mother—the old-fashioned mother, now long replaced by the modern version with little resemblance to the original one."

"God acted as both Mother and Father to the first man and woman as they were the first human beings brought into this world full grown. Not all mothers are Christians although God wanted them to be."

He told of his work in the path of God for sixty-two years without ever being asked if he were a Christian. "You imagine it difficult to be a Christian but in reality it is easy to do the right thing."

He closed his talk with the thought expressed in "That flower was not born to blush unseen for God sees it in its full glory."

tuted over five years ago by Major Hoover, the Pin-Up Queen Dance has become one of the most important dances at AMA.

Roller Rifles on Parade in Winchester



ROLLER RIFLES PARADE AT APPLE BLOSSOM FESTIVAL

ROLLER RIFLES, crack Augusta Military Academy Drill Team, take third place among marching units at annual Apple Blossom Festival held in Winchester, Va., on May 4th.

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- Sport Slants -

Lacrosse Sticks—Product Exclusively Of Time, Patience and Skill of Indians

A Mohawk tribe makes and a Baltimore concern sells most of the world's entire supply.

In the middle of the St. Lawrence River, between Canada and the United States, is the Isle of Cornwall where a tribe of Mohawk Indians makes most of the lacrosse sticks sold in the world.

This small island is the St. Regis Indian Reservation, and practically its entire population is engaged in the lacrosse stick industry—probably the oldest industry in North America.

The more experienced men carve the stick from 8-foot long hickory logs; the younger men bore the hole for the lacings, and the women string them.

Upon completion, these sticks are shipped to a Baltimore sporting goods house and from there are distributed at the rate of 10,000 a year throughout the United States. This firm is the only one allowed to sell these sticks.

It is only natural that the world's supply of lacrosse sticks should come from the Cornwall region because these Mohawk Indians were beating each other's brains out long before the white man ever heard of this great sport.

The Indians played a much rougher game in the old days than is played now. Early accounts tell how rival tribes gathered, 800 to 100 strong, on the open prairies. The game or fracas would last several straight days and usually ended in a pitched battle, with high casualties.

Medicine men officiated as umpires, and the squaws cheered the men on by flailing them with switches. To add to the dramatic effect, players covered their otherwise naked bodies with war paint and feathers.

When the whites saw this going on around them they naturally wanted to get in on it. Accordingly the Indians stepped up their manufacturing activities and began turning out the sticks on a commercial basis.

They supplied sufficient sticks this way until the turn of the century when Joe Sally, nicknamed the "father of lacrosse," conceived the idea of producing the sticks on a large scale. He managed in some way to corral the Indians into a factory and was soon shipping sticks all over the world.

Sally's production methods remained somewhat primitive and even now most of the work is done by hand.

Machines have been tried but without success. An automatic bending machine, for example, will bend every stick the same amount but due to variations in the fibers, however, some sticks can not take so much bend as others and split. The Indians seem to anticipate this danger point and know when to stop; the machines do not.

It takes a full year to transform a hickory log into the stick used on lacrosse fields today.

The process begins in the late winter when the Indians go out over a 300-mile radius to choose trees—a 40 year-old tree is ideal.

Only that portion of the tree 8 feet above the stump can be used, and this must measure a minimum of eight feet. Since the Indians must buy the entire tree, the cost of 8-foot logs is around \$125 a cord.

The logs are split into billets and allowed to dry for ten months. At the end of this time, the roughness is removed and the billets are notched at various spots so that they may be bent easily.

The bending is done by a steaming process. The crook at the head is turned around a block and secured with a piece of wire.

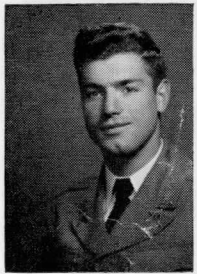
At this point the wood is returned to the drying yard for two more months. Then the wire comes off and the billet goes to the stick makers. These are the men with the razor-sharp drawknives. In the hands of an experienced knife-man, the billet rapidly assumes its familiar shape. The stick is then drilled, sanded, and taken home by the women to be strung.

Stringing is not the simple matter one might think. Lacrosse sticks are laced in rather complex patterns with several different types of materials which are made by the Indians themselves.

The finished product is as individual as the man who makes it. No two pieces of hickory are the same and no two women will string them the same. Therefore, no two lacrosse sticks are the same.

It is this essential variation in materials which makes the handwork necessary. With the possible exception of the rug-weaving that the Asiatic families do, there is probably no other full scale industry to compare with it anywhere in the modern world.

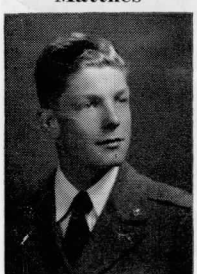
Presenting The Captains Of 1951 Spring Sports Program



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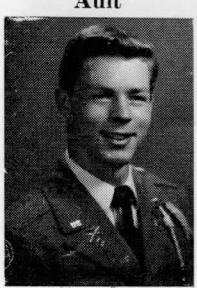
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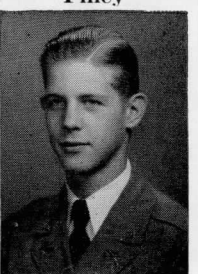
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Messick

Parker And Cialini Pave The Way To Defeat Greenbrier MS

AMA Sets Record By Winning 35th Straight Match

Augusta Military Academy's tennis team racked up another win in military league and prep school competition as they served an 8-1 defeat to Greenbrier Military School.

The Fort Defiance cadets, coached by Lt. Clint Bales, have won the state military league court crown the past three years and appear to be on the way to their fourth pennant.

The matches, played on the Greenbrier courts at White Sulphur Springs, W. Va., gave the AMA netmen a season record of two wins and one loss—non-military to Jefferson High School of Roanoke.

Singles:

Pilley (A) defeated Wilson (G) 6-0, 6-2; Bill Ault (A) defeated Godin (G) 6-0, 6-1; Phil Luttrell (A) defeated Worsing (G) 6-1, 6-2; Peyton Moore (A) defeated J. Spain (G) 6-2, 6-0; Ernest Calvo (A) defeated Gibson (G) 6-4, 6-1; and Striffer (G) defeated Bob Withers (A) 4-6, 6-2, 6-3.

Doubles:

Pilley and Ault (A) defeated Wilson and Godin (G) 6-1, 6-1; Luttrell and Moore (A) defeated Worsing and J. Spain (G) 6-1, 6-0; and Calvo and Withers (A) defeated Striffer and Gibson (G) forfeit.

AMA Trips GU, 7-3

The AMA lacrosse team defeated Georgetown University Lacrosse Club by a score of 7-3 at Ft. Defiance.

With one game to play, the Augusta lacrosse men now have a season record of four wins against three losses.

In the Saturday fray, Georgetown scored early in the first period, but watched as Augusta wiped out this lead with two goals before the period ended.

Roger Brooke, AMA captain, set up the cadets' first score with a quick pass to Stuart Myers who shot a score past the Georgetown goalie. A few minutes later, Ben Angle scored with a long shot from centerfield.

The second period ended with Augusta leading 3-2, after Brooke scored again for the Blue and White and Don Bradley scored for Georgetown.

Augusta gathered the remainder of its tallies in the third period. Brooke knocked to the ground, was almost flat on his face as he whipped across the cadets' fourth score. This was followed with quick scores by Myers and Ben Angle and then Brooke scored the final AMA goal.

Previously this session, AMA defeated VPI twice and North Carolina Jayvees, while losing to Washington and Lee freshmen, Charlotte Hall Military Academy, and University of Virginia freshmen.

Augusta went to Lexington for a rematch—its last game of the season—with W&L frosh.

The Augusta lineup: Santmyer, goalie; Folk, coverpoint; Ayers, point; Lafferty, defense; Parnell, left midfield; Brooke, center midfield; Angle, right midfield; Hodge, attack; Myers, out home; and Lowenback, end home. Subs were Messick, Collislower, and Starr.

FORK UNION NINE DRUBS AUGUSTA BY 18-4 COUNT

Jesse Griffin's base-loaded double in the second inning was the big blow as Fork Union crushed Augusta Military Academy, 18-4.

It was the second military league victory for the Cadets and their sixth of the campaign.

Beaver Walks, Steals, Comes in To Win Game

A scintillating performance by a rookie battery duo, playing their first game in new roles, sparked Augusta Military Academy to a tight 4-3 win over Greenbrier Military School here.

Pitcher Ralph Parker and catcher Vince Chialini, a converted outfielder and second baseman, respectively, paved the way as Parker spun a masterful five-hitter while Chialini exhibited a smooth performance behind the plate.

The game was sewed up tighter than an old maid in a size 10 corset in the last of the ninth when AMA's left-gardener, Bob Beaver walked, stole second, and then came home when Harry Tull, pinchhitting for outfielder Gene Riddle, hit a last-gasp roller in front of home plate and Dick Rogers, Greenbrier catcher, threw wild to first.

Greenbrier opened the scoring in the top half of the second, clattering across with two runs. AMA added one in their half of the inning and Greenbrier got another in the beginning of the fourth, to take a 3-1 short-lived lead.

AMA bagged a singleton in the bottom half of the same inning, and another in the fifth and the

AMA Swamps Fishburne, 16-3

Augusta Military Academy won their first baseball game of the season by manhandling a winless Fishburne Military School, 16-3.

Fishburne led for a few brief moments by scrambling for one run in the opening frame, but lost that slim lead as AMA batters raced the bases for a total of seven tallies in their half of the first.

AMA added two in the fourth, three in the fifth, and four in the sixth.

The Waynesboro cadets negotiated two more to go with their initial tally, but the margin was too wide to be closed.

AMA's Parker teed off for a three-run homer in the fourth.

Herm Matthes, AMA pitcher, on his second start of the season, limited Fishburne to three hits, while walking two men. Earlier, he lost to Hargrave.

Fishburne's Thompson gave up 14 hits and walked four more. His teammates committed seven errors while AMA fielders booted but three.

AMA

	AB	R	H
Camel, 2b	4	2	1
Cialini, ss	4	3	3
Matthes, p	5	2	3
Folk, c	4	1	0
Bruno, 1b	4	0	1
Stafford, 3b	3	1	0
Beaver, rf	2	3	2
Parker, lf	3	3	2
Riddle, cf	4	1	2
Totals	33	16	14
AMA	700	234	
Fishburne	110	0100	

Jefferson Halts Military Champs

Augusta Military Academy lost a tennis match to Jefferson High School of Roanoke by a score of 7-2.

Results:

Singles: Miller (J) defeated Pilley (A) 6-2, 6-3; Ault (A) defeated Bowling (J) 5-7, 6-4, 6-4; Hudson (J) defeated Luttrell (A) 8-6, 6-4; Hutchison (J) defeated Moore (A) 6-0, 6-3; Matthews (J) defeated Calvo (A) 9-7, 6-0; Bentley (J) defeated Withers (A) 6-2, 6-2.

Doubles: Ault and Pilley (A) defeated Hudson and Miller (J) 5-7, 7-5, forfeit; Hutchison and Bowling (J) defeated Moore and Luttrell (A) 6-3, 6-3; Bentley and Tripper (J) defeated Herrera and Withers (A) 6-2, 6-1.

game stayed that way, 3-3, until the last of the ninth when catcher Rogers handed AMA the ball game.

For the Fort Defiance crew, Vic Bruno and Chialini showed the way at bat, booming out two hits apiece, while Greenbrier's second sacker, Paul Reed had two hits out of five efforts at the plate.

Greenbrier (3)

	AB	R	H
Bradley, lf	5	0	1
McCue, cf	5	0	2
Bond, ss	4	0	0
Rogers, c	4	0	0
Reed, 2b	5	1	2
Bendeg, 3b	5	1	0
Beshan, rf	3	1	0
Pendleton, 1b	3	0	0
Dull, p	4	0	0
Total	38	3	5

AMA (4)

	AB	R	H
Camel, 2b	4	1	1
Parker, p	5	2	1
Bruno, 1b	4	1	2
Chialini, c	4	0	2
Stafford, 3b	4	0	0
Folk, rf	4	0	1
Riddle, cf	4	0	0
Boydton, ss	3	0	1
Beaver, lf	3	0	0
x—H. Tull	1	0	0
Totals	36	4	8

x—Batted for Riddell in 9th.

Greenbrier 020 100 000—3

AMA 010 110 001—4

Blue Lacrossmen Top N.C.U. Jayvees, 14-6

Augusta Military Academy's lacrosse team defeated the Jayvee team of the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill by the score of 14-6.

Roger Brooke, captain of the AMA team and Ben Angle (Rocky Mount), led the scoring for the victors with seven and five points respectively. Hap Starr and Roger Messick (Roanoke) each made one tally. Davis and Cole for UNC each made two goals.

AMA's center, Captain Brooke, took the face-off and went down the field for the first tally. For the remainder of the first period Ben Angle and Brooke accounted for their team's seven points to one lead.

UNC came back strong in the second period and shaved the score to 7-4 at half time.

AMA made three goals in the third quarter while UNC made 2. Augusta came back strong in the final period with four goals while UNC was unable to keep pace with the victors.

Roger Brooke and Ben Angle both made records for any Augusta team by the number of goals each made in any one game in the past five years the game has been a sport at the Fort Defiance institution.

Lineups:

Augusta	Positions	UNC
Santmyer	Goal	Foloyel
Ayers	CP	Cuhs
Colliflower	P	Johnson
Folk	LM	Fields
Ben Angle	CM	Wolkshimer
R. Brooke	RM	Davis
Myers	OH	Selmores
Lowenback	A	Stokes
Hodge	IH	Beatty
Parnell	D	Dalton

Score by periods:

Augusta 7 0 3 4—14

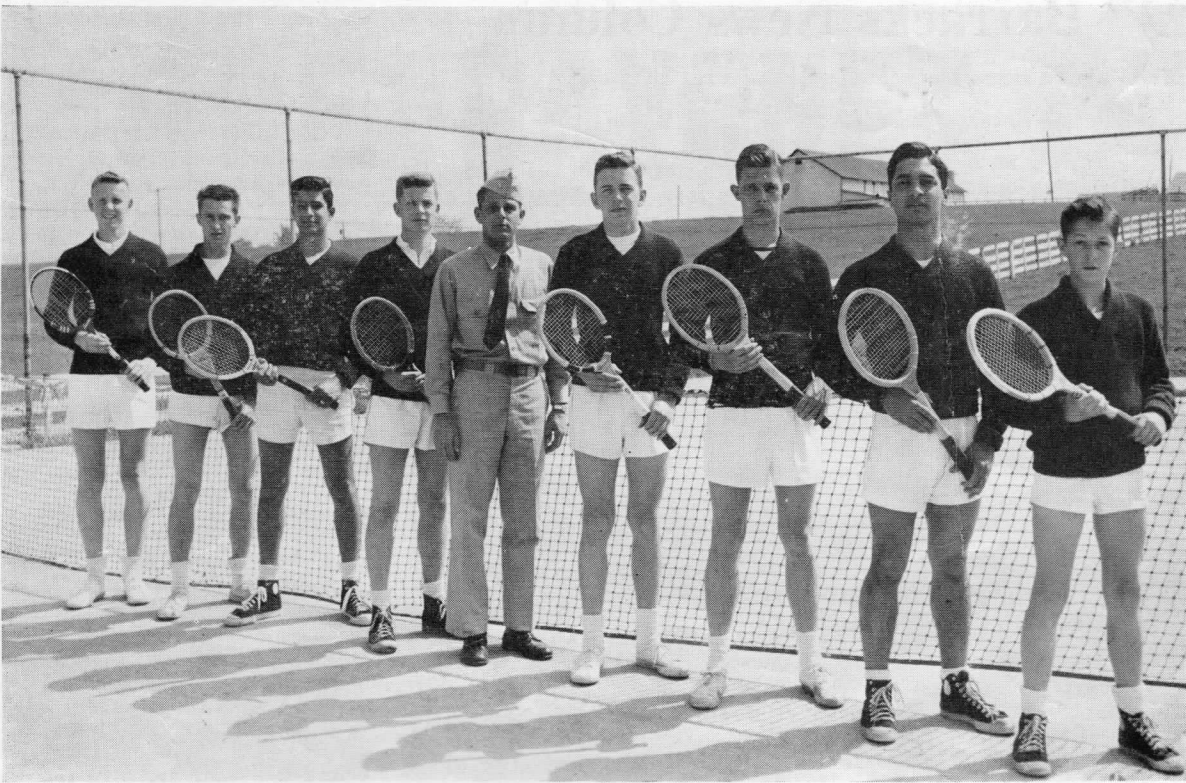
UNC 7 3 2 0—6

Scoring: Augusta, Brooke 7, Angle 5, Messick 1, Starr 1; UNC, Davis 2, Cuhs 2, Dalton 2, Stromel 1, Wolkshimer 1.

FMU Bows To AMA, 9-0

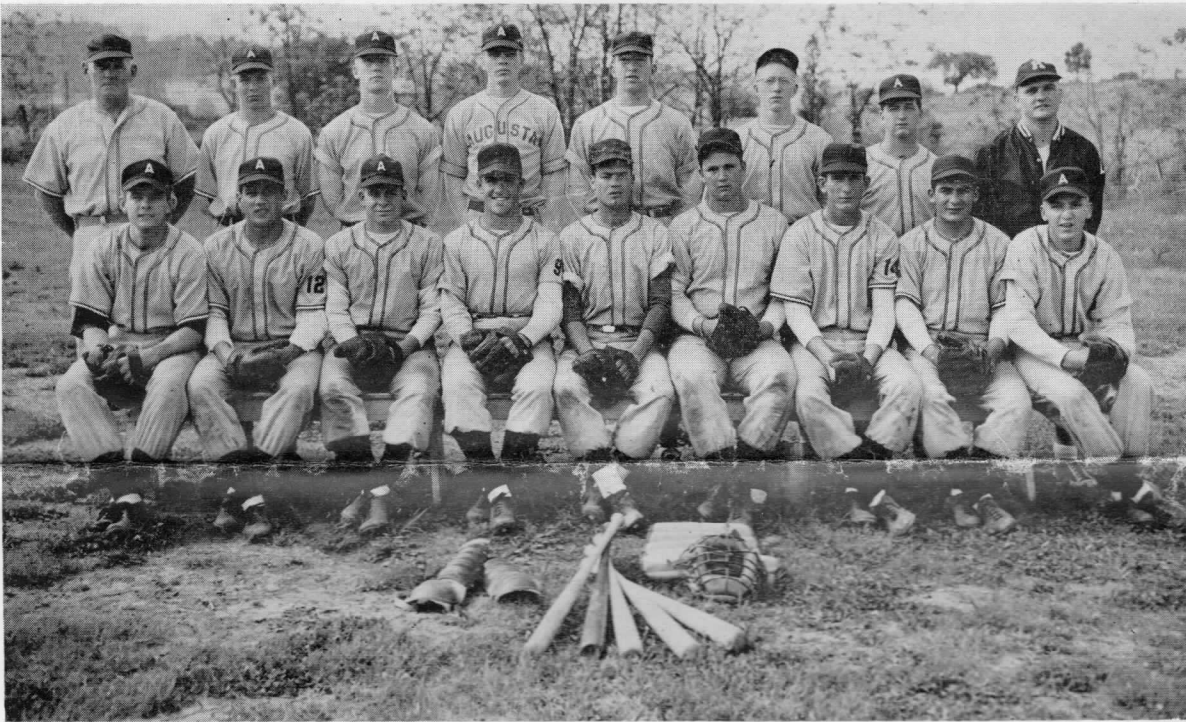
Augusta Military Academy netmen made it 35 straight wins over military schools when they took Fork Union in stride, 9-0, following Monday's 9-0 victory over Greenbrier.

Undefeated Military Tennis Champions



Pilley, Withers, Herrera, Ault, Coach Bales, Luttrell, Scrivenor, Calvo E., Moore

Augusta's Outstanding Baseball Team



Standing: Coach Koogler, Jordan, Day, Boynton, Tull, Sayre, Suthard F., Assistant Coach Claiborne.
Seated: Beaver, Bruno, Camel, Parker R., Matthes, Fox, G., Stafford, Cialini, Riddle.

Up and Coming Lacrosse Team



Front row: Brooke (captain), Parnell, Myers, Brady, Starr.
Middle row: Messick (co-captain), Lafferty, Mitchell, Santmyer, Stone, Weant, Firebaugh.
Rear row: Hodge, Lowenback, Bair, Ben Angle, Colliflower, Ayars, Deal, Tommy Gamewell, manager.

Commencement Program

Saturday, June 2nd
3:00 P.M. — Exhibition Drill "Roller Rifles".
5:20 P.M.—Dress Parade.
7:30 P.M.—Moving Pictures.
9:00 P.M.—Practice for Final Ball.
Sunday, June 3rd
11:30 A.M.—Baccalaureate Ser-

mon—Old Stone Church; Rev. Albert G. Edwards, Harrisonburg, Va.
4:00 P.M.—Exhibition drill by "Roller Rifles".
4:30 P.M.—Full Dress Parade.
5:20 P.M.—Sacred Concert by the Band.
7:00 P.M.—Reception and Buffet

Supper at White Hall.
8:00 P.M.—Final Meeting of Y.M.C.A.—Assembly Hall.
Monday, June 4th
9:30 A.M.—Guard Mount by Junior Company.
11:00 A.M.—Lacrosse Game.
2:00 P.M.—Competitive Drill for Platoon Cup by all Companies.
5:00 P.M.—Dress Parade.
7:30 P.M.—Final Celebration of

Bayonet Names Outstanding Cadets For The Session 1950-51

The Bayonet herewith announces the names of the outstanding cadets in school for the 1950-51 session. These honors are announced after careful consideration of the staff and the faculty adviser.

Gene Wright has been chosen as the cadet who has done most for the school.

On looking back, we find that Cadet Firebaugh is the most improved cadet in the school.

In all sports, Vince Cialini, Bob Camel, and Roger Brooke have been chosen as the most valuable cadets of the year.

Decorating honors awarded to Dan Yellott for his fine work on the dances this session.

Cadet Ben Angle has been picked as the best officer in the battalion for his military precision and efficiency.

Honors for the best sports manners go to Mike Maynard and Tommie Gamewell for their efficient work in managing basketball.

Best new cadet of the year goes to the hard working and industrious Ragland.

Much deliberation was taken to decide the most studious cadet and Cadet Goldstein, J. has been nom-

inated for this award.

Best officer of the day goes to Dave Duffey whose hard working ability enabled him to carry out his duties to a high degree.

Roger Messick has been picked as the one cadet who has done all his jobs well and is the best all around cadet.

Phil Pelland, the First Captain, has the most promising future.

Cadet Saunders has done the most to improve the school by his wonderful work in the armory.

Cadet Ragland of C Company has been picked as the best corporal of the guard.

Ernie Calvo for his untiring work and effort has received the best N.C.O. award.

Dunc Wong was selected as the cadet who at all times was the neatest.

The best cadet O.C. for this year goes to none other than Ben Angle, for his very efficient work.

The most reliable cadet in the corps to the cadets is our beloved W. A. Hill.

Because of his hard work Cadet Publications was picked as the cadet most likely to succeed in the future.

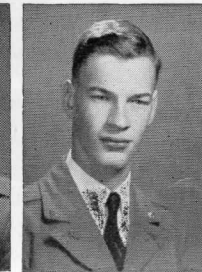
Winners 1951 Bayonet Awards

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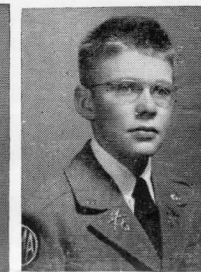
Wright, E.

Most Improved



Firebaugh

Most Reliable



Hill

Decoration



Yellott

Best Manager



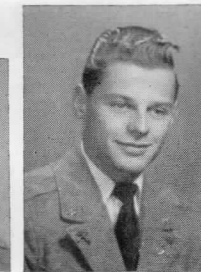
Gamewell

Most Studious



Goldstein, J.

Best O.D.



Duffey

Best Cadet



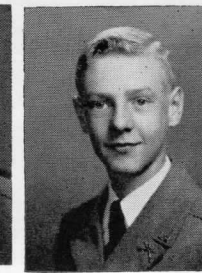
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Most Promising



Pelland

Armory



Saunders

Cadet Publications



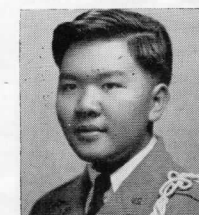
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Best N.C.O.



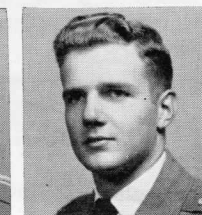
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Neatest



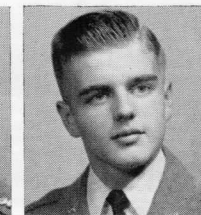
Wong

Cadet O.C.



Angle

Best C.G.



Ragland

Most Valuable



Camel

Senior and Junior Ciceronian Literary Societies.

Tuesday, June 5th

9:00 A.M.—Guard Mount by Junior Company.

10:30 A.M.—Escort to Colors.

11:00 A.M.—Exhibition Drill by "Roller Rifles".

2:00 P.M.—Company Drill among all Companies for the Cup, followed by Individual Competitive Drill.

4:00 P.M.—Final Dress Parade.

9:30 P.M.—Final Ball, Memorial Gymnasium.

Wednesday, June 6th

10:30 A.M.—Closing Exercises—Memorial Gymnasium. Awarding of Certificates and Diplomas, Prizes, Medals and Military Hon-

ors—Colonel Chas. S. Roller, Jr. Address to Graduating Class—Major General Richard J. Marshall, Supt. Virginia Military Institute, Lexington, Va. Valedictorian—Captain C. Franklin Pilley, Norfolk, Va.

12:15 P.M.—Auld Lang Syne Parade—Front of Barracks.

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NEXT YEAR'S BAYONET

Born and Raised in Vicinity of A.M.A. "Boots Walker Retires As Postmaster of Ft. Defiance

Former Student Tells of His Experiences

Mr. J. F. Walker, the Fort Defiance Postmaster is to retire after forty-five years of faithful service.

Mr. Walker attended Augusta Military Academy from 1896-1900. It was while he attended school here that Doctor W. C. Roller titled him with the well known name of "Boots" Walker.

In 1906, Mr. Walker opened his first store and post office in Fort Defiance. At that time his store was located down the New Hope road from his present building. He obtained the frame building from Mrs. Lamberth, who owned it at the time. In this first store he had a total inventory of \$250.00.

His store served both the people of the community and the cadets of the school, which at that time had an enrollment of between 50 and 75 cadets. He says that the only cadet to carry the mail to and from the store at that time was the Officer of the Day, and that when he came down to the store is the only time that any of the other cadets came, and when the Officer of the Day returned to the school the other cadets had to return with him.

Augusta Downs FMS Nine, 12-7

Augusta Military Academy's baseball team defeated Fishburne Military School by a score of 12-7 on Fishburne's diamond.

FMS scored two in the first inning on a walk, Thompson's single, an error, and 3 more walks.

AMA tied up in the top of the third on a pair of triples by Fox and Cialina, and an error.

FMS went ahead in the last of the third with a pair of errors and Chittum's single.

AMA jumped in front in the fifth with Cialini's single, a sacrifice, a pair of walks, another error, and Boyington's single.

FMS bounced ahead once again in the fifth on Chittum's single and Griffin's home run.

AMA broke up the game in the sixth with 5 runs on 4 singles by Camel, Matthes, Stafford, and Boyington plus 3 errors and a pair of walks. They added three more in the seventh on a single by Camel, two walks, two errors, and a single by Stafford.

FMS scored two in the seventh on Griffin's single and three bases on balls. Fishburne's Chittum, a Waynesboro lad, made the play of the game by going far into right center to spear a sinking line-drive off Cialini's bat.

Augusta	AB	R	H
Camel, 2b	3	1	1
Souther, 2b	1	1	1
Cialini, c	4	2	0
Bruno, 1b	2	2	0
Matthes, p	4	2	1
Parker, cf	3	1	0
Riddle, cf	1	0	0
Stafford, 3b	5	1	3
Boyington, ss	5	1	2
Beaver, lf	3	0	0
Fox, rf	3	1	1
Totals	34	12	11

Fishburne	AB	R	H
Quillen, 3b	4	0	0
Thompson, 2b	3	1	1
Kiser, c	4	2	0
Chittum, cf	3	1	2
Allen, rf	0	0	0
Griffin, rf	3	2	2
Harman, 1b	2	1	0
McLeod, ss	3	0	1
Ganz, lf	3	0	0
Patterson, p	2	0	1
Burdette, p	1	0	0
Carl	1	0	0
Totals	29	7	7

Score by innings:

	R	H	E			
AMA	002	025	3x—12	11	3	
FMS	201	020	21—	7	7	12

Sounding Board of Our Junior Department "J" Barracks News Column

Edited and Written by S. Tomasek and Pete Schwartz

Sixth and Seventh Grades

Spring at A.M.A.

Well! Spring is here and all the trees are beautiful. When we were asked to write about spring we said we couldn't. Mrs. Davis told us to imagine how Cadet Van Cockroft would write and that made it easier.

It seems to be beautiful all of a sudden. When you go out of the Barracks everything is greenish looking. The grass is like green velvet. The trees like lace. When you look to the east it doesn't seem real. It looks like a beautiful painting. The cattle are grazing on the hill-side. Beyond is a white house with a road winding up to it. I'd like to go there some time.

Past these things you see the mountains. They are sometimes blue. The clouds are white and blue like fluffy cotton. The flowers are beautiful.

The birds have a special call for spring. It sounds so good. When I found a little blue egg it made me sad. I asked Mrs. Davis what I should do with it, and she said the storm had probably blown it down from its nest and it wasn't any good now.

The worst part about spring is that everything in Barracks looked dirty. Then we had to clean windows, scrub floors and take off the spots. Even our faces and necks needed a special scrubbing because of the spring light and sunshine.

The nicest part about spring is that we know summer is coming and we shall be home then.

Founder's Day

On Founder's Day, in the afternoon, the Juniors went on a trip to Swannanoa with Mrs. Davis, Mrs. McKinney and Mrs. Thompson. Cadet Wright E. drove the bus. Swannanoa is a big castle on top of the mountain near Skyline Drive. It used to belong to the Dooley family. Marble was imported from Italy for the inside and Georgia marble was used for the outside.

Dr. Russell now owns it and uses it for a museum for his works. He has many pieces of sculpture. A statue of Christ is in the great hall. There are busts

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of Mark Twain, Colin Kelly, and President Roosevelt. There are many paintings on the walls. On tables there are letters from great people.

Dr. Russell, the creator of these beautiful things, talked to us about his work. He told us we could do anything if we wanted to enough. This talk was a special treat as he does not usually talk so long to visitors.

They played music for us while we were in the gardens which were beautiful. Some of the boys looked through the telescope at the distant scenery.

Parties

Cadet Wray's father came last Sunday and had Wray's birthday picnic. He was 10 years old on May 8th.

Captain Davis gave the boys a "Toasted Sandwich Supper" April 29th. The boys had all received "super" at S.M.I.

Cadet Billie Wheeler had a birthday May 6th. There are so many birthdays in May that Captain and Mrs. Davis are going to have one big birthday party.

Mother's Day

On Mother's Day In Every Way I love you more than words can say
Not only for the Love and Care
But all the things you do that's fair.

Cadet Stanton Cohen
Room 346

Sixth and Seventh Grades and Mrs. Davis want to take this opportunity to thank Colonel for inviting them to take a new classroom. Room 6. Also Captain Lucas for his spending time to paint, varnish and make the room so good to study in. We do appreciate the new classroom very much. We feel superior living in Deane's Castle.

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Larry Long wanted to know if they could cut in on the girls on Saturday night and Sunday. (After Colonel's talk about cutting in).

Doug Llewelyn—Last Sunday we had a wonderful show of girls. I am sure everyone enjoyed it.

Karl Strassman (When asked to write for J Barracks Column) "Can't think, Brain numb, Inspiration went.
Poor ink—poor pen—That's all. Amen."

Jimmy Mahanes—Why is the Statue of Liberty's finger eleven inches long? Because if it were twelve it would be a foot.

Billy Wheeler — "What man earns his living without doing a day's work?" A night watchman.

Lynch Ward—What question can never be answered by "Yes?" "Are you asleep".

Peter Schwartz—Don't worry if your job is small and your rewards are few. Remember that the mighty oak was once a nut like you.

Stephen Tomasek—What is it that you must keep after giving it to someone else? Your word.

Ned Brown—Why is it that all our famous men were born on holidays?

McClelland—
You can always tell the English;
You can always tell the Dutch;
You can always tell the Yankees;
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